Bike Boulevards - BIKEIT Seat Route (Knox Road Alignment) November 5, 2015 3rd Public Meeting



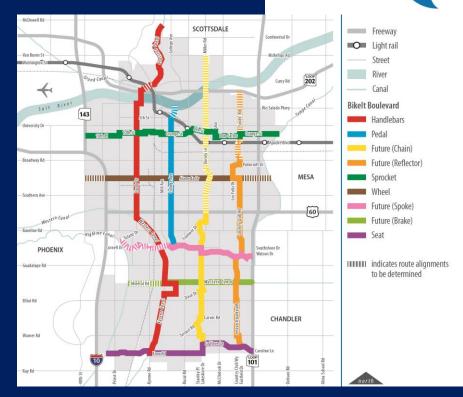
What is a Bike Boulevard?

- Off-street pathways/streets with low-motorized traffic volumes and speeds designed for enhanced bicycle travel
- Have amenities to reflect local conditions (integrate with neighborhoods) and use signage, pavement markings, landscape, hardscape, speed and volume management to discourage through trips by cars
- Promote safe, convenient bicycle use and crossings of busy arterial & collector streets
- Connect neighborhoods to major destinations, employment centers and activity centers

Bike in Tempe – 9 Bike Boulevards

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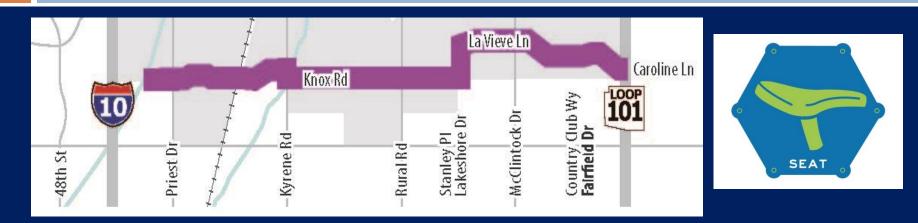
- General Plan 2040
- Tempe Transportation Master Plan (2015)
- 1991 Council adopted the Tempe Bike Plan (Resolution No. 91.32) designating Caroline and LaVieve lanes, Lakeshore Drive and Knox Road as bicycle routes.



Funding

- Low Cost Improvements- Phase 1
 - \$100,000 in the CIP for FY 15/16.
 - Examples: signs, pavement markings, minor concrete.
- High and Medium Cost Improvements Phase 2
 - Require infrastructure improvements exceeding \$100,000.
 - Examples: traffic signals, grade separated crossings.
 - These improvements will be submitted in the CIP for Council review

Seat Route Area



- Corona/South Tempe Character Area Plan (2015) goals:
 - Create a neighborhood bike route system
 - Collector street improvements to encourage biking
 - Provide safe arterial crossings

Seat Route: Neighborhood Connections

Parks

Harelson, Hanger, Goodwin

Schools

Kyrene de la Mariposa
 Elementary, Kyrene del Cielo
 Elementary, Corona Del Sol
 High School

Paths

 North/South Rail Spur, Kyrene Canal, Highline Canal



Seat Route: Phase I

- Signs (majority on existing sign posts or light poles)
- Sharrow Pavement Markings (non-fronting residential)
- Signal timing adjustments during weekday non-peak hours and on weekends (including bicycle detection)
- Minor concrete improvements
- Estimated cost = \$36,000

Signage & Sharrows



Used on neighborhood & collector streets – Immediate



18" x 24"
Used at major crossroads for destinations – Future



Seat Route: Phase 2

- Signalized crossings:
 - McClintock & LaVieve
 - Kyrene & Knox
 - Priest & Knox
- UPRR crossing east of Hardy

Would require further public and City Council review for funding

Bike Boulevard Seat Route · Option 1





- H Future Handlebars Route Bike Boulevard Connection
- Future Chain Route Bike Boulevard Connection
- R Future Reflector Route Bike Boulevard Connection
- Unfunded Future Railroad Crossing
- X Unfunded Future Signal Which Will Require Public Input
- Minor Concrete Improvement
- Sharrows: A pavement marking used to remind motorists that bicycles are permitted to use the full lane.

NOTES: On street parking will remain. No new designated bike lanes will be added.

12" x 18" signage will be placed along the entire route and almost entirely on existing poles.

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 - 1 Kyrene de la Mariposa Elementary School
 - 2 Corona del Sol High School
 - 3 Kyrene del Cielo Elementary School

Bike Boulevard Seat Route · Option 2





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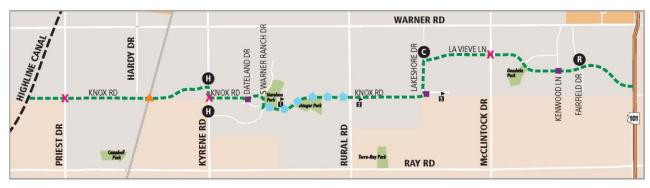
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Public Input Summary

- Public meetings held May 13 & Aug. 12, 2015
- 74 people submitted comments online and at the public meeting.
- Other comments received via email and phone call.
- Those in support cited the need for wayfinding signs, and higher level improvements such as signals or crossings to enhance connectivity.
- Those in opposition cited increase in bicyclists in the neighborhood, conflicts with horses and usage of private park by non residents.
- Comments are online at <u>www.tempe.gov/bikeit</u>

Next Steps

- Tempe Transportation Commission meeting on Nov. 12
- City Council meeting on Dec. 3
- If approved by Council, implement the phase 1 of the Seat (Knox Road) bike boulevard route in 2016.

Contact Us

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